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Dear Sir:

Introductory Comments

In response to the Office Action mailed on June 9, 2008, having a shortened statutory period for response of three (3) months that expired on September 9, 2008, which is extended for a period of three (3) months to expire on December 9, 2008 under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), please consider the following remarks:

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Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.